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Sir:

Special Programs Examiner Bost contacted Applicant's undersigned attorney on November 15 to request any written documentation available to establish that the July 29, 2004 Office Action (which Applicant's undersigned attorney downloaded from the PTO PAIR system on September 28) was not received by mail by Applicant's undersigned attorney. Attached hereto are two sheets relating to the above-identified application (see the encircled portions labeled A on pages 1 and 2), and that were printed-out from Oliff & Berridge's computerized docketing system. The encircled portion labeled B on page 1 identifies the July 29 Office Action, which now has been entered into Oliff & Berridge's computerized docketing system. As indicated by the encircled portion labeled C on page 2, the July 29 Office Action was first entered into Oliff & Berridge's computerized docketing system on September 28, 2004 at 3:57 p.m. In particular, the July 29 Office Action is indicated under the column "Event Date" as "2004-07-29." As can be seen under the column

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labeled "Date Changed" the data for that July 29, 2004 event was changed on September 28, 2004 at 3:57 p.m. In addition, the letter "I" under the column labeled "Action" signifies that the particular action was initially ("I" stands for initial entry) entered on September 28.

Accordingly, the July 29 Office Action was not entered into Oliff & Betridge's computerized docketing system until the downloaded version was obtained on September 28 by Applicant's undersigned attorney, and promptly given to the Oliff & Betridge docketing department. As the Oliff & Betridge docketing department immediately enters Patent Office communications when received (usually by mail from the Patent Office), the fact that the Office Action was not entered until September 28, 2004 further establishes that the Office Action allegedly mailed by the Patent Office on July 29, 2004 was never received by Oliff & Betridge.

Examiner Bost is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number identified below if any further information is desired.

Respectfully submitted

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